Public path in Ochenthuruthu.

266. Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) is there any public path on the northern side of the poramboke canal near the ferry in Ochenthuruthu;

(b) have not the Government received petitions from the people of the village pointing out the necessity for such a path;

(c) what action have the Government taken on the representations?

Mr. P. V. Raphael (a) No.

(b) Yes.

(c) Government have sanctioned the work. Lands required for the road are proposed to be acquired in 1110. The work proper will be taken up in subsequent years as funds allow.

Teachers of Industrial Schools.

267. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the teachers of the Industrial Schools in the State are regarded as Specialist, each in his own particular branch of industry, even as the Drill Instructors, Drawing teachers and Music and Needle-work Mistresses of the Primary and Secondary Schools;

(b) what is the literary qualification required of (i) the teachers of the Industrial schools, and (ii) the Drill Instructors and other specialists of the Primary and Secondary Schools;

(c) what are the scales of pay given to (i) the teachers of the Industrial Schools, and (ii) the Drill Instructors and other Specialists of the Primary and Secondary schools;

(d) whether the Drill Instructors and other Specialists can hope for any promotion to the higher grades in the Secondary schools or in any other departments in the State;

(e) if the answer to (d) is in the negative, has not this limitation in the prospects of those Specialists been taken into consideration by the Government in fixing their scales of pay;

(f) does not a similar limitation exist in the prospect of promotion of teachers in the Industrial schools?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) Yes; the very names denote that they are specialists in their own sphere of work.

(b) (i) Please see S. O. No. 2.

(ii) Please see Article 52, Cochin Education Code, Volume I. Primary schools have no Drill Instructors.

(c) A list is appended. (*Appendix IV.*)

(d) The promotion of specialists other than Drill Instructors to the higher grades in the Secondary schools will depend upon their professional qualification and on the vacancies that

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